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Two Delta prisons among locations affected by severe weather in state

JACKSON, MISS. – Delta prisons, including the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman and the Bolivar County Regional Correctional Facility in Cleveland, were affected by the severe weather that passed through the state on Saturday.

Both prisons lost power early Saturday morning and are operating with generators. Bottled water and food are being provided at both.

“We are thankful that no injuries were reported among the staff and inmates,” Commissioner Pelicia E. Hall said. “There are downed power lines in the entire area so the prisons aren’t the only locations affected. Power is expected to be restored in the area by Tuesday.”

Meanwhile, the relocation of up to 375 inmates from Parchman to nearby Tallahatchie County Correctional Facility in Tutwiler was completed today.